HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING April 8, 2010

The regular monthly meeting of the Grant County Highway Committee was held on Tuesday, April 8, 2010 at the Highway Office in Lancaster, Wisconsin. Chairman Donald Splinter called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M..

Members present besides the Chairman were Mark Stead, Vern Lewison, Pat Schroeder, Eugene Bartels, and Highway Commissioner David Lambert. Also present was Personnel Director Joyce Roling and Jon Knautz.

Pat Schroeder, seconded by Vern Lewison, moved that the meeting is in compliance with the open meeting law. Motion carried.

Mark Stead noted a typographical error on the agenda. The closed session statute number should be 19.85 and not 19.82 as printed. Pat Schroeder, seconded by Vern Lewison, moved to approve the agenda with the change. Motion carried.

Donald Splinter, seconded by Pat Schroeder, moved to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2010 and March 16, 2010 meetings as printed. Motion carried.

Mark Stead, seconded by Vern Lewison, moved to pay Vouchers #143 thru #254. Motion carried.

Vern Lewison, seconded by Eugene Bartels, moved to enter into closed session per Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85 (1)(c) to discuss Performance Evaluation. A roll call vote was taken with Bartels, Schroeder, Lewison, Stead, and Splinter all voting yes. Motion carried. At this time, Jon Knautz left the meeting.

Vern Lewison, seconded by Mark Stead, moved to come out of closed session and return to open session. Motion carried.

David Lambert started the Supervisors Reports. Jon Knautz and Randy Franks joined the meeting at this time. He reported on where the County will be getting its asphalt, seal coat oil, and who will be doing the pulverizing and rubilization of roads in 2010.

Culverts are being ordered from Tennyson Implement.

Asphalt will be provided by Iverson--Mathy with a plant set in Fennimore and a two dollar reduction per ton for the Fennimore set.

Flint Hills and Meigs agreed prior to the bid submittal that no matter who came in with the highest bid, they would match the lower bid. Flint Hills came in with the lower bid for seal coat oil and Meigs has sent a letter confirming that they will supply oil at the lower bid price.

Mathy and Kraemer will provide the pulverization. Antigo will provide the rubilization.

County Board Chairman John Patcle joined the meeting at 9:45 A.M..

Donna Bohnenkamp joined the Committee to give an update on the Springbrook Accounting Software Package. Juneau County is still not live, but hopefully will be by the end of April. They are concerned about linking fueling and inventory to the system. Juneau County is not connected to the Court House now (Highway Department).

At the end of the first two months of 2010 we were \$7,296.40 in the black for the maintenance work that Grant County provides on the State Highway System through the RMA Budget. During January & February, Grant County generated \$261,127.06 in revenues from maintenance provided on the State Highway System in Grant County.

David discussed a request by River Ridge High School to change the County right-of-way on CTH "P" in front of the School. The current right-of-way was purchased by the Highway Department in 1950. The Committee feels the ROW should stay as it is now and not be changed.

David informed the Committee of a driveway issue in the Village of Mt. Hope.

Jon stated that work will begin on Hwy 133 from Boscobel to Hwy 18 to replace two bridges and culverts. Hwy 61 will be used as a detour. Shouldering will also be done from Lancaster to Porter Bridge on Hwy 81 and from Porter Bridge to Cassville. Shouldering will also be done on Hwy 18 from CTH "K" to Fennimore and on Hwy 11 from Prairie Corners to the Scale.

Randy stated that the Martin/Day bridge replacement project on CTH "A" has started. The men are also working on shoulder wash outs and crack filling on CTH "G" from Hwy 18 to Muscoda.

Under Machinery & Equipment Reports, David told of a new product (Centron Fuel System Enhancer) that saves fuel and reduces emissions. The system was installed on a 2005 Sterling truck with positive results. He recommended that we install four additional units and continue to monitor mileage and compare the results. Total cost is \$1,600.00 and will be taken from the equipment account.

With approximately \$150,000.00 left undesignated in the 2010 equipment budget, discussion has centered on purchasing a new mulcher and a new "lowboy" trailer. However, David is not yet prepared to come to the Committee with a request or recommendation.

There is also discussion on selling possibly two more older section trucks.

David gave the Engineering Report. Proposed County Construction through Federal Funded programs for 2010 include: Chestnut Street/CTH "D" Bridge and Road Project - has been awarded to Integrity Grading and Construction, Inc. CTH "A" Bridges (Martin Bridge and Breuer Bridge) - has been awarded to Concrete Structures from Janesville. A pre-construction meeting was held last Thursday and construction has begun.

Mark Stead, seconded by Vern Lewison, moved to adjourn sine die at 11:15 A.M.. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Mark A. Stead, Secretary